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What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A combination cellular telephone, sound storage device and email communication device, the combination comprising:
- a controller operably connected to a power source, a microphone, a speaker, and a transmitter/receiver for enabling cellular telephone communications;
- a voice recorder memory operably connected to the controller for recording a voice message;
- an email address memory operably connected to the controller;
- a means for receiving an email address into the email address memory; and
- a means for transmitting the voice message and the email address, the email address being associated with the voice message such that the voice message can be delivered as directed by the email address.
2. The combination of claim 1 wherein the means for receiving includes a display and a keypad both operably connected to the controller for receiving the email address into the email address memory.

3. A method for recording a voice message and transmitting the voice message to an email address of a recipient, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a combination cellular telephone, sound storage device and email communication device, the combination comprising:

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- a controller operably connected to a power source, a microphone, a speaker, and a transmitter/receiver for enabling cellular telephone communications;
 - an email address memory operably connected to the controller; and
 - a voice recorder memory operably connected to the controller;

storing an email address in the email address memory;

recording a voice message onto the voice recorder memory through the microphone and/or the transmitter/receiver; and

transmitting the voice message and the email address through the transmitter/receiver, the email address being associated with the voice message such that the voice message can be delivered as directed by the email address.

4. The method of claim 3 further comprising the steps of:

receiving the voice message and the email address at a message center;

converting the voice message into a text message;

composing an email including the text message and addressed to the email address; and

20 transmitting the email such that the text message is delivered to the email address.

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5. A method for recording a voice message and transmitting the voice message to an email address of a recipient, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a combination cellular telephone, sound storage device and email communication device, the combination comprising:

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- a controller operably connected to a power source, a microphone, a speaker, and a transmitter/receiver for enabling cellular telephone communications;
 - an email address memory operably connected to the controller;
 - a voicemail greeting memory operably connected to the controller; and
 - a voice recorder memory operably connected to the controller;

storing an email address in the email address memory;

recording a voicemail greeting on the voicemail greeting memory;

receiving a call on the combination and automatically answering the call and playing the voicemail greeting;

recording a voice message onto the voice recorder memory through the transmitter/receiver upon completion of playing the voicemail greeting; and

transmitting the voice message and the email address through the transmitter/receiver, the email address being associated with the voice message such that the voice message can be delivered as directed by the email address.

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6. The method of claim 5 further comprising the steps of:

receiving the voice message and the email address at a message center;

converting the voice message into a text message;

composing an email including the text message and addressed to the email address; and

5 transmitting the email such that the text message is delivered to the email address.

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